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REMARKS

Claims 1-22, 32-35, 37-43, and 45-48 are pending in the present application, claims 23-

31, 36, and 44 having been canceled. Claims 37 and 45-48 have been rewritten in independent

form. Reconsideration is respectfully requested for the following reasons.

The Office Action indicated that claims 1-22, 32-35, and 40-43 are allowed. Applicant

wishes to thank the Examiner for this indication of allowable subject matter. The Office Action

also indicated that 37-39 and 45-48 were objected to because they depended from a rejected base

claim, but would be allowable if rewritten. Claims 37 and 45-48 are now in independent form

and claims 38-39 each ultimately depend from claim 37.

It is believed that the above represents a complete response to the official Office Action.

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully

requests a notice of allowance.

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